### Making Connections... the benefits of membership

Full and Affiliate Members receive the following FREE OF CHARGE:

**Training** For librarians, consumers and health professionals, in-person training on how to find and use FREE health electronic resources, such as http://medlineplus.gov for consumers.

**Funding** Opportunities to apply for project funding from the NN/LM Southeastern/Atlantic Region. Previous funds have been provided for (a) consumer access to electronic health information, (b) library computers, Internet connections and training, and (c) information access for underserved health professionals.

### Interlibrary

Loan Access to DOCLINE, an automated interlibrary loan request routing system that links medical journal holdings to potential lending libraries, and other NN/LM document delivery systems.

"I use the skills developed from the training provided by the NN/LM to answer patrons' health related questions."

> - Susan Fichter Volusia County PL Florida

**Communications** Opportunities to share ideas with other librarians through participation in the region's listserv and subscriptions to the region's newsletter and the *NLM Newsline*.

#### NN/LM Mission

To advance the progress of medicine and improve public health by:

1) Providing all U.S. health professionals with equal access to biomedical information; and,

"Through our membership, we provide access to health information resources not easily obtained in the past."

> -Susan Pedersen Eastern Shore Regional Lib. Maryland

2) improving the public's access to information to enable them to make informed decisions about their health.

The NN/LM is coordinated by the National Library of Medicine and carried out by over 4,500 libraries.



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### Make a Connection...

## Become a Network Member!



### National Network of Libraries of Medicine

Southeastern/Atlantic Region

http://www.nnlm.nlm.nih.gov/about/membership/

Contact us at: (800) 338-7657 toll free

#### Background

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) began in 1967 as the first comprehensive national library network. Under the leadership of the National Library of Medicine (NLM) and through the participation of medical libraries and other information centers throughout the United States, it has developed into an effective network for meeting the information needs of the nation's health professionals and the general public.

With recent national attention focused on

improving consumer access to health information, the NLM strongly encourages libraries that provide information directly to the public to participate in the NN/LM.

"Funds from the NN/LM enabled our public library to provide valuable health information outreach programs."

- J. Sara Paulk Tifton-Tift County PL Georgia

#### NN/LM Goals

To develop collaborations with NN/LM libraries to improve access to and sharing of biomedical information resources;

To promote awareness of and access to biomedical information resources for health professionals and the public;

To develop, promote and improve access to electronic health information resources.

#### **Membership Categories**

Full Member Any health sciences library or health-related information center, institution or organization that (1) is staffed; (2) has an Internet connection; (3) has its own collection of health sciences materials; and (4) provides information services, including using DOCLINE, to health professionals and/or the general public.

Affiliate Member Any library or information resource center that is called on for health information by its users, but does not meet all of the criteria for full member participation.



# While there is NO COST for membership, each Full Member and Affliate Member must:

- (1) Designate an individual as the local contact person for NN/LM communications:
- (2) Agree to establish and maintain its membership record within the national NN/LM online directory of members (DOCUSER); and
- (3) Provide the NN/LM with basic information on its collections and services.

### NN/LM Membership Application

Institution Name:
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